

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DIC 20464

December 20, 2001

Andrew R. Paul, Treasurer
Link-PAC The Political Action Committee of
the Satellite Broadcasting & Communication
Assn. of America
225 Reinekers Lane, Suite 600
Alexandria, VA 22314

Identification Number:

C00268300

Reference:

Year End Report (7/1/99-12/31/99) and Amended July Quarterly Report

(4/1/00-6/30/00), dated 8/21/00

Dear Mr. Paul:

This letter is to inform you that as of December 19, 2001 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated October 10, 2001. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

Due to recent events, the United States Postal Service is experiencing delays in the processing and delivery of mail for the Washington D.C. area. Consequently, the Federal Election Commission is not in receipt of all incoming first-class mail. The Commission recommends that you resubmit your response to this notice and consider using alternate delivery services such as overnight delivery or delivery by courier. If feasible, your response can also be hand-delivered. You can verify the Commission's receipt of any documents submitted by your committee on the FEC website at www.FEC.gov.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by January 9, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Thomas Maxwell on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Z John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures



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Dear Mr. Paul:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) precludes a non-multicandidate political committee and its affiliates, from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$1,000 per election. Please refer to the Campaign Guide for information on how a committee qualifies for multicandidate status.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$1,000 and/or notify the recipient in writing of your redesignation of the contribution. In the best interest of your committee, all refunds and redesignations should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s).

If your committee has met the criteria for multicandidate status, please file FEC FORM 1M "Notification of Multicandidate Status" with the

Commission. The treasurer must file FEC FORM 1M prior to making a contribution of more than \$1,000 per candidate per election. 11 CFR \$102.2(a)(3)

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memoentries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

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